(b) if so, whether Government propose to amend the Notary Act to refix the rates in view of the change in price index and fall in value of money since 1952 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ) : (a) and (b) The fees of Notaries was prescribed in the year 1956. A proposal to revise the fees is now under consideration.

Appointment of High Court Judges

407. SHRI SHABBIR AHMAD SALARIA : Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is the policy of Government that in each State High Court 1/3rd of Judges shall be from outside the State ;

(b) if so, what is the break up of each High Court showing the names of 1/3rd judges appointed from the rest of the country ; and

(c) by when the policy would be implemented in case it has not been implemented or only partially implemented ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ) : (a) to (c) The Government have accepted as a policy, recommendations of the Law Commission, in its 80th report, that there should be a convention according to which 1/3rd of Judges in each High Court should be from any other State. The Government decided that this may be implemented either by making initial appointments from outside or by effecting transfers. A beginning in this direction has been made by adopting the policy of having Chief Justices of High Courts from outside. Few initial appointments of puisne Judges from outside High Courts have also been made and transfers of some Judges from one High Court to another have also been made after adopting the policy.

A statement showing the particulars of Judges initially appointed and transferred as puisne Judges/Chief Justices to outside High Courts is annexed. (*See* below).

Statement

Position as on 10-7-92

S. No.	Name of the Judge initially appointed /transferred from outside the State	High Court in which functioning
	S./Shri Justices	
1	M. K. Mukherjee (CJ)	Allahabad
2	B. M. Lal	Allahabad
3	M. L. Bhat	Allahabad
4	M. P. Kenia	Allahabad
5	V. Sivaraman Nair	Andhra Pradesh
6	P. D. Desai (CJ)	Bombay
7	K. Sukumaran	Bombay
8	B. P. Saraf	Bombay
9	Anandmoy Bhattacharjee	Calcutta
10	S. P. Rajkhowa	Calcutta
11	Gokal Chand Mittal (CJ)	Delhi
12	P. N. Nag	Delhi

13	U. L. Bhat (CJ)	Gauhati
14	S. N. Sundaram (CJ)	Gujarat
15	Smt. Leila Seth (CJ)	Himachal Pradesh
16	Vijay Kumar Mehrotra	Himachal Pradesh
17	S. S. Kang (CJ)	Jammu & Kashmir
18	M. Jagannadha Rao (CJ)	Kerala
19	G. H. Guttal	Kerala
20	S. K. Jha (CJ)	Madhya Pradesh
21	T. N. Singh	Madhya Pradesh
22	K. M. Pandey	Madhya Pradesh
23	Smt. Kanta Kumari Bhatnagar (CJ)	Madras
24	P. S. Mishra	Madras
25	B. L. Hansaria (CJ)	Orissa
26	B. C. Basak (CJ)	Patna
27	S. H. S. Abidi	Patna
28	M. S. Rao	Patna
29	M. Rama Jois (CJ)	Punjab and Haryana
30	K. C. Agarwal (CJ)	Rajasthan
31	M. C. Kochhar	Rajasthan
32	B. N. Mishra (CJ)	Sikkim
33	R. Dayal	Sikkim

(CJ— Chief Justice)

Appointment of Chief Justices of High Courts

408. SHRI SHABBIR AHMAD SALARIA : Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is Government's that Chief Justice of the State High Court shall be a judge of some High Court other than that State High Court ; and

(b) whether this policy has been implemented, if so, the details thereof and if not, the names of the States in which it has not been implemented and the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ) : (a) and (b) The Government have adopted the policy of having Chief Justice of High Court from outside. After the adoption of the policy on 28-1-83, appointment/transfer of Chief Justices from outside have been made in all the 18 High Courts. Due to retirement/ elevation, as on 1-7-92, Chief Justices from outside are functioning in 15 High Courts. The process of consultation for appointment of Chief Justices in the remaining 3 High Courts is on.